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Case 8622

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In the Application of  
Klofta et al.  
Serial No. 09/898,880  
Filed: July 3, 2001  
Confirmation No. 2203

Group Art Unit: 1616  
Examiner: Konata M. George

Title: FILM-FORMING COMPOSITIONS FOR PROTECTING SKIN FROM BODY FLUIDS  
AND ARTICLES MADE THEREFROM

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

The Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action dated April 10, 2002. Applicants respectfully request  
the Examiner to consider the accompanying amendment and remarks while examining the application.

AMENDMENT

In The Claims

Please add the following new claims:

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21. (New) The disposable absorbent article of claim 20, wherein the skin-contacting surface is selected from the group consisting of a topsheet, a cuff, a side panel, a waist region, a secondary layer underlying a topsheet, a bowel movement pocket, an insertable element inserted into the absorbent article for use during wear, and combinations thereof.
  22. (New) The disposable absorbent article of claim 20, wherein the skin conditioning agent is a petroleum-based emollient selected from the group consisting of petrolatum, mineral oil, and mixtures thereof.
  23. (New) The disposable absorbent article of claim 20, wherein the viscosity enhancing agent is an organic viscosity enhancing agent having a melting point of at least about 35°C.
  24. (New) The disposable absorbent article of claim 20, wherein the viscosity enhancing agent is a wax.